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NEW SHAH OF IRAN TAKES OATH: POLICE CHIEF IS DISMISSED FOR DELAYING ROUNDING UP OF NAZIS

Russian Troops Enter Teheran: British Encamped Outside Gate

THE LATEST REPORTS FROM TEHERAN STATE THAT THE BRITISH FORCES MARCHING ON THE CITY ARE ENCAMPED OUTSIDE THE CATHERINE GATE OF TEHERAN, WHILE RUSSIAN TROOPS HAVE ALREADY ENTERED THE CITY.

Staff officers of both forces arrived in Teheran on Wednesday.

The new Shah took his oath as ruler of his country on Wednesday afternoon. A reception will be shortly given by the new ruler to the diplomatic representatives of foreign Powers in the capital.

ONE OF THE FIRST ACTS OF HIS REIGN WAS THE DISMISSAL OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE, WHO, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE OLD SHAH, HAD BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN DELAYING THE ROUNDING UP OF GERMANS IN IRAN.

In the PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, filled with deputies and officials who were clad in black and gold levee dress, MOHAMED REZA took the oath on Wednesday evening as the second Shah of his dynasty, states a delayed Reuter message from Teheran.

Sixty Per Cent. Of U.S. War Production Will Go To Britain

CALCUTTA, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—"At least 50, possibly 60, per cent. of America's war production will go to Britain and will help a great deal to win the Battle of the Atlantic," observes DR. H. GRADY, President Roosevelt's special economic investigator in the Far East, on his arrival here.

The production of war materials in the United States is daily gaining momentum and there is a remarkable increase in the turn-out of essential materials, particularly fighters, bombers and tanks, added Dr. Grady.

"We are producing some remarkable fighters which have a far-reaching effect on the fight for air supremacy. We expect to have a mass, before October, of these planes which have tremendous speed and fast manoeuvring such as no other plane in existence has."

PLAY GREAT PART

"They undoubtedly play a great part in winning the war."

He was impressed by the defences of the Philippines, the Dutch East Indies and Malaya.

Dr. Grady will discuss with the Government of India possibilities of the supply of certain essential raw materials to the United States.

After visiting Colombo and Rangoon, Dr. Grady will leave for Chungking where he will confer with Chinese officials the question of stimulating production and increasing delivery.

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—No change is being recommended in the offices of the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England next April.

An announcement to this effect was made by the Governor, Mr. Montague Norman, at today's meeting of the General Court of the Bank of England.

Mr. J. M. Keynes is to be proposed next month as the successor to Lord Stamp who was killed in a London air raid, as Director.

Mr. Keynes is the well-known economist and author of the "Keynes Plan" which provided for compulsory saving as a means of preventing inflation and has been already partially adopted in connexion with the existing income tax.

(Mr. Norman has been Governor for 27 years. He is 69.)

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The famous comedian, Fred Karno, has died at the age of 75. It was under his auspices that Charles Chaplin made his first bow in New York in 1910.

Today's News Summary

THE NEW SHAH OF IRAN has taken his oath and is shortly to give a reception to the diplomatic representatives of foreign Powers. His first act on assuming office was to dismiss the Police Chief, who, on the instructions of the old Shah, had been hindering the rounding up of Germans in the country. It is now stated that Russian troops have entered Teheran.

THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY of the Mukden Incident was observed yesterday, the keynote in Chungking being that the Chinese will continue fighting until the four north-eastern provinces in Manchuria are completely recovered. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek issued a statement reiterating the war aims of China.

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT has protested to Moscow against the presence of floating Soviet mines in the Sea of Japan.

KARLSRUHE WAS THE OBJECTIVE of the Royal Air Force bombers for the second night in succession on Tuesday.

CABLE NEWS ON PAGE FOUR includes a full account of Timoshenko's capture of Yartsevo and Yelisia; Liberal nationalist conference; blasting of the power plant at Bechtue; Swaying battle in the Libyan frontier.

The diplomatic gallery was empty, the Persian Government having decided at the last minute that the function would be purely a domestic one.

About three-quarters of the deputies were present. A group of 28 of the highest army officers included General Nakhjevan, former War Minister, who was released from a fortnight's imprisonment immediately the Shah abdicated.

OATH ON KORAN

The Shah took the oath on the Koran, swearing to devote himself to the country's interests. At the moment the Shah was taking the oath, British and Russian troops were settling into their quarters at three points around Teheran.

The British troops were led by armoured cars, the first of them flying a large Union Jack. They were met by British and American military attaches about 30 miles outside the city.

Covered with dust after the long drive from Sultanabad, Indian soldiers smilingly poked their faces from the turrets of the armoured cars.

REPORTS DENIED

Reports to the effect that the British Army authorities in Iran are not satisfied with the diplomatic action taken in Iran were denied in London yesterday.

It is stated that, on the contrary, the Army authorities are quite well satisfied with the diplomatic steps which have been taken.

Nazi Efforts To Dragoon Bulgaria Into War Against Russia Light Up Smiles

CAIRO, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Reports of NAZI efforts to drag Bulgaria into the war with RUSSIA are lighting up some smiles in diplomatic circles in the MIDDLE EAST who well know that Russia possesses in Bulgaria a formidable body of sympathisers.

A great majority of Bulgarians are pro-Soviet and among the peasants and intellectuals many are specifically pro-Soviet.

That the Nazis should require to make allies from such unsuitable material is regarded here as being an indication of weakness and though there is no doubt that the Sofia Government will toe any line designated when the Nazi ringmaster cracks his whip, the Bulgarian people are not by any means so supine.

DIFFERENT DIRECTION

If arms are put into their hands with the purpose of slaughtering their Slav brethren, they are likely in actuality to be fired in quite a different direction. Diplomatic circles here believe that Germany, in seeking to force

ANOTHER RAID ON KARLSRUHE

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—For the second night in succession, KARLSRUHE in Germany was heavily raided by R.A.F. bombers. Large fires were started.

One bomber is missing from this operation.

A fighter on patrol along the Norwegian coast attacked an enemy supply ship yesterday.

SHIPS REFLOATED

All the ships which were swept aground during the typhoon on Tuesday have now been refloated, with the exception of the largest vessel, which went ashore on Green Island.

TERRORISTS RUN WILD IN S'HAI INT'L SETTLEMENT

SHANGHAI, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—On the eve of the anniversary of the Mukden Incident, terrorists ran wild in the International Settlement last night when there were three shooting incidents within three hours.

The night's toll was three Japanese civilians wounded (not seriously), one Chinese killed and one wounded.

As a result of the shootings, the International Settlement today was strongly barricaded and the strictest searches are proceeding at strategic corners.

Meanwhile, in observance of the anniversary, all cinemas, foreign as well as Chinese, and amusement resorts have decided to remain closed for the day.

Two of the Japanese who were wounded were shot in Nanking Road, Shanghai's main street. The two Chinese who fired the shots escaped. The other Japanese was wounded in Szechuan Road.

These were the first attempts on Japanese lives in the unoccupied southern part of the International Settlement in months.

WORLD CHANGES

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NAZIS ANGRY WITH SWEDEN

ZURICH, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Berlin correspondents of the Italian Press report a general outburst of anger against Sweden, according to a despatch from Turin.

The Turin newspaper, LA STAMPA, writes:

"Germany has opened all doors to the rage which the Germans feel against Sweden which has refused to make any concrete contribution to the anti-Communist struggle."

CHINESE WILL CONTINUE FIGHTING UNTIL NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCES IN MANCHURIA ARE RECOVERED

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek Reiterates War Aims

CHUNGKING, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—THAT THE CHINESE WILL CONTINUE FIGHTING UNTIL THE NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCES IN MANCHURIA COMPRISING THE FOUR PROVINCES OF LIAOLING, KIRIN, HEILUNGKIANG AND JEHOL ARE COMPLETELY RECOVERED, is the keynote of Chinese statements on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Mukden Incident today.

A statement by GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK was given prominence in all morning newspapers, in which he reiterated China's war aims—first, the safeguarding of China's territorial and administrative integrity, secondly the upholding of international justice and defeating aggression.

In Chungking, women and youth corps units conducted street lectures throughout the day, reassuring the Chinese public that the Chinese Government will not cease its resistance so long as Chinese territory is not completely cleared of Japanese forces.

After a mass meeting was over, 10,000 persons participated in a parade through Chungking's main streets carrying torches and shouting slogans.

The natives of Manchuria issued a manifesto describing Manchuria as China's lifeline whose recovery must be one of the essential conditions for a settlement.

JOINT APPEAL

Chinese cultural bodies, including the Chinese Peoples Foreign Relations Committee, the Cultural Mobilisation Committee and others, issued a joint appeal to the Powers, urging continued assistance to China and reaffirming China's determination to carry on the resistance until China's territorial and administrative rights are completely restored.

The CHINA TIMES states that provincial governments for the four Manchurian provinces are already formed and expressed the hope that these provincial authorities will proceed at an early date to Manchuria to organise the populace, form armies and direct guerrilla operations in Manchuria against the Japanese.

The Chinese daily further suggests that the Chinese Government formally designate Manchuria as one of the war areas and appointing a north-east pacification commissioner to direct military operations in this area.

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Referring to the MIDDLE EAST, Maj. Murray said that we had heard from the Prime Minister that the strength of the Royal Air

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Gen. Chiang's Stirring Message To The People

CHUNGKING, Sept. 18 (Central)—Stressing the fact that the recovery of the North-Eastern Provinces is the ultimate goal of China's war against Japan, GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK reaffirmed the Government's determination to continue the war, regardless of sacrifices, until the territorial integrity of the whole of China is restored, in a message commemorating the tenth anniversary of the Japanese invasion of Manchuria.

It should be known to all, said the Generalissimo, that the lives of Chinese inside the Great Wall and the lives of Chinese in the North-Eastern Provinces are one, and that territorial integrity for China Proper and the territorial integrity for the North-East is indivisible.

"China," emphasized the Generalissimo, "shall permit no inch of territory in the North-East to be snatched from her. Survive we must together."

The huge sacrifices China has undergone in the last ten years of struggle, asserted the Generalissimo, have been made willingly because of one objective, namely, the liberation and independence of the Chinese nation and the freedom of the people to live their own lives.

Geographically and strategically, added the Generalissimo, the North-East is an integral part of China. He pointed out that the North-East is the home of 30,000,000 fine Chinese people, 240,000,000 mow of farmland, 200,000,000 mow of land that has not yet been cultivated, 800,000,000 mow of forests, 8,000,000,000 tons of minerals. In other words, the North-Eastern Provinces are China's richest storehouse, indispensable to China's immense programme of reconstruction.

Not only China's independence, but also future stability in the Far East, said the Generalissimo, hinges on the settlement of the Manchurian problem, because so long as the North-East remains in

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Situation Round Leningrad Area Is None Too Good

"The situation round Leningrad is none too good," declared MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY, the B.B.C. commentator, when he broadcast from London last night. Leningrad itself seemed to be in big heart and the Germans had been driven back nine miles in one part of the defences.

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SALES OF TIMBER TO KIN LEE AND MARS MAN CLOSELY QUESTIONED AT A.R.P. INQUIRY

Sales of timber by the SINGAPORE SAWMILL COMPANY and MESSRS. WONG TONG KEE to the KIN LEE firm of building contractors and MESSRS. MARS MAN HONGKONG CHINA LIMITED between October, 1940, and March, 1941, were closely questioned by the Chairman when evidence of the transactions were given by the managers of the two timber firms before the Commission, appointed by Government to inquire into certain matters relating to the AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS DEPARTMENT, yesterday afternoon.

During the morning session, TSANG PUI-FAN, foreman in the P.W.D., stated that, although he was responsible for giving the O.K. to payment vouchers for the removal of muck from A.R.P. tunnels in Kowloon, certain vouchers had been passed to Government without his having seen, or initialled, them.

Tsang also informed the Commissioners that he had been asked when he saw the statement in the Chinese Press that he owned a motor-car. The car in question, said Tsang, belonged to one of the sub-contractors who gave him permission to use it on his visits to sites.

He had never used it, declared witness, to go to dinner parties or to the cinema, but, at times, he had been given a "lift" to his house.

The Commission comprises Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall (Chairman), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and Mr. S. Hampden-Ross with Mr. K. A. Barnett as Secretary.

Mr. D. H. Blake was present on behalf of the Kin Lee firm.

Testifying before the Commission in the afternoon, Mr. Chan Chih-ho said that he was the manager of the Sing Chow Timber Co., which firm was also known as the Singapore Sawmills Co., and that the firm was started about eight years ago.

Chairman Do you remember selling, during last year, timber to Kin Lee?—Yes.

Can you tell me what kind of timber you sold to Kin Lee?—We sold various kinds of hardwood to them.

What are they?—In Chinese they are known as "Hung Chap," "Ying Muk" and "Shan Cheong."

Have you sold any railway sleepers to Kin Lee?—No.

You have never sold them any railway sleepers?—We do not sell railway sleepers.

Where do you get your wood from?—From Singapore and Sandakan.

SOLD FOR CASH
Who approached you in connection with the sales to Kin Lee?

Our salesman spoke to Kin Lee's buyer.

Who is your salesman?—Chairman.

Who did he sell to?—I know the man as Ah Chu.

Do you know how much timber you have sold to Kin Lee? I cannot remember now as it was all sold for cash.

They paid you cash on delivery?—Cash before delivery.

Have your firm any connexions with Pang, Chik and Tum?—No.

With Wong Tong Kee?—Some six or seven years ago we have had dealings with Wong Tong Kee, but not recently.

Have you any connexions with that firm?—No.

Are you still selling to Kin Lee?—Yes, but the last lot has not yet been delivered.

What is the amount?—Only a small quantity to the value of \$180 odd.

When did you first deal with Kin Lee?—In October, 1940.

And your last sale to them was in March, 1941?—No, we are still selling to them month by month.

But the last big lot was in March?—Yes.

The price of timber has gone up since September, 1940?—Yes, it went up gradually.

What is the rise, generally speaking?—About 50 per cent.

In October, 1940, did your firm have a large stock of timber in hand?—We always have a large stock at hand.

DIFFERENT SIZES

Suppose that Kin Lee had bought from you in October, 1940, the quantity they bought between Oct. 1940, and March, 1941, would you have had enough stock to supply them?—No, we did not have enough as Kin Lee bought different sizes.

In October, 1940, you sold them \$200 worth of timber?—I cannot remember the figures.

I have it here. In November, 1940, you sold them \$1,100 worth.

—Yes.

In December, 1940, the sales rose to over \$7,000.—Yes, Sir.

In October, 1940, did you have enough timber to supply them up to December, 1940?—I do not remember whether we had enough stock to supply them as Kin Lee always bought according to their measurements.

ENTRIES & WEIGHTS FOR 7TH EXTRA RACE MEETING

The following are the entries and some handicap weights for the Seventh Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club to be held on Saturday, Sept. 27, at Happy Valley:

1. or 10.—2 or 6.30 p.m.—Island Glory 145, Araxy II 145, A Surprise Handicap—First or Second. Time 161, Bendemeer 148, Section—Winner \$750, Second \$350, Bendigo 147, Black Seal 153, Cor 149, Crack Shot 146, Happy Returns 164, Harmony Star 143, To be ridden by Jockeys John 145, Jus Gentil 151, King's who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Flight 157, Lxx Fort 150, Mainsail Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. One 160, National Welfare 148, Never-Mile. Never 143, Nigger 140, Ogle 140, Royal Sovereign 149, Spitfire 140, Blue Field, Emergency Unit, Eve of Folly, Eve of Peace, Galveston 144, Wayworth 145, 25 Entries.

Bay, Humdrum Eve, Jennifer, 4. or 8.—3.30 or 5.30 p.m.—Vau-Jobber, Lancashire Lass, Laurabrin, Peaceful View, Raconteur, Red Feather, Thirty Six, 19 Entries.

2. or 5.—2.30 or 4 p.m.—Tweed Island Bay Handicap—First or Second Section—Winner \$900, Second \$350. Third \$250. For China Ponies, "B" Class, Subscription Ponies of 1941 barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

A Happy Time, A Luxurious Time, Brown Derby, Catterick Bridge, Cheerful Star, Coloma, Conkleber, Contact, Criffel, Gay Fox, Giovan, Lucky Lady, Man-O'-War, Marsh Warbler, Mountain View, Piccadilly Jim, Rowan Sparrow, Springhurst, Tornado Star, Vandguard, Venus Bay, Vixen Tor, 23 Entries.

Avon, Eve of Dancing, Eve of Grandeur, Eve of Heaven, Eve of Reason, Expansion Time, Galaxy, Gay Star, Hecla View, Hillsboro Bay, Hopeful Star, Hughbet, John, Kentucky, King Kong, Onaugh, Resisting Time, Ronson, Sam's Choice, So Nice, Wonderful Scheme, 21 Entries.

3. 4.30 p.m.—Port Phillip Stakes, Winner \$1,250, Second \$600, Third \$350. For Australian Ponies, Griffins of this Season. Weight 145 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Winners of \$750 or more in stakes barred.

Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

A Blossom Time 145 lbs. Amusement Tax 149, Canberra 145, Grace-thereof won in stakes. Entrance \$5. Full View 151, Iron Belle 151, King's One and a quarter Miles.

Welcome 151, Locus Standi 149, Amulet Star 148 lbs. Angel of Miss Chalfont 145, National Re-



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form 148, New Moon 145, Odin 148, Pigtail 145, Ratio Decidendi 151, Riverside 148, Subpoena 145, Tropical Love 151, 16 Entries.

7. or 9.—5 or 6 p.m.—Gosford Handicap—First or Second Section—Winner \$850, Second \$350. Third \$250. For Australian Ponies, "C" Class, Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs. Anzac Day, Araxy II, A Roaring Time, Battle, Bendigo, Centre Court, Cockleroi, Crack Shot, Derby Day, Devonian, Double Finesse, Flying Dutchman, Franklin, Googly, Huscoy, Income Tax, King's Welcome, Leading Star, Locus Standi, Longdon, Misty View, New-born Star, Nomine Poehae, Ratio Decidendi, Sea Jay, Seal River, Shuttlecock, Sydney Lady, The Koala Bear, Triumphant Day, Tropical Love, Twinkling Star, Vis Major, Vitamin M 34 Entries.

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When Coconuts Were Price Of Cinema Seats

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

"With the progress of education in the country, cinema-goers are asking for—and getting—better and better pictures and the time would soon come when censorship would be relaxed, much more than it is now," said Mr. K. H. Tann, who has just retired from the post of attorney and manager of the Universal Film Corporation in Singapore, after 26 years' service, to a Tribune reporter.

Mr. Tann is a pioneer in the film industry and altogether counts 38 years with the film business in Malaya, the latter 26 years with Universal's.

Mr. Tann entered the cinema business when Malaya boasted of no electricity, and even then he made his shows pay. Touring up country, he told me in a reminiscent mood, he visited theulu and pitched no tent to snow 100 villages their first screen show. They came in big numbers, but they had no money with them, and eventually persuaded Mr. Tann to accept coconuts as payment for their admission into the show.

Any other businessman would have lost heart, but not Mr. Tann. He accepted their payment in kind, but a few days later sold the coconuts back to the villagers and realised a sum of money much more than he had hoped for.

WOULD FILL BOOK

Mr. Tann's reminiscences are interesting, and would fill a book. He is a genius at advertising and as early as 1923 was highly acclaimed for his originality in the sphere of work.

In 1929, however, when in trying to advertise the "Last Warning," by placing two wrecked cars at important junctions in town, to Shirley's foster mother in the film.

NEW PICTURE AT MAJESTIC

Bubbling-over with mirth and melody, and with Jack Oakie and Charlotte Greenwood sharing the fun, "Young People," new 20th Century-Fox hit at the Majestic Theatre, has been heralded as the most enjoyable of all Shirley Temple's twenty-two pictures.

"Young People" is Shirley's first musical picture in two years. There are five top-notch songs cleverly blended with the plot in "Young People." The unusual story deals with troupers Jack, Charlotte and Shirley who decide to retire from the stage in a small New England town.

A star of the stage for many years, Charlotte Greenwood, plays Shirley's foster mother in the film.

COMING EVENTS

SEPT.

19—Tides:—High 8.12 a.m. and 9.35 p.m.; Low 2.11 a.m. and 3.20 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; Sunset: 7.24 p.m.
Claims against Estate of late Mr. Petrie due

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H.K.S.P.C. Supper Carnival at the Ritz, Quarry Bay, 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis.

Wartime Intercession Service St Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.

Lecture: Volunteer Nursing Detachment, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.45 p.m.

Exhibition of Photographs, Chinese Y Bridges St.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Basketball League Matches, Kowloon C.Y.M.C.A.

20—Tides:—High 9.09 a.m. and 10.04 p.m.; Low 2.58 a.m. and 3.54 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; Sunset: 7.23 p.m. HK.V.D.C. Annual Swimming Championships, Army Pool, 9 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Hockey Practice King's Park, 4 p.m.

Lecture: Dr. CHIT on "Genesis," 77 Pokfulam Road, 8.30 p.m.

Exhibition of Photographs, Chinese Y Bridges Street.

Charity Football Match H.K. Lawn Bowls League

21—Tides:—High 9.58 a.m. and 10.34 p.m.; Low 3.44 a.m. and 4.28 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.11 a.m.; Sunset: 7.22 p.m. Macao Jockey Club September Race Meeting, Areia Preta Course, Macao.

H.K.C.S.C. Annual Harbour Race, 2.30 p.m.

V.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 9 p.m.

Islamic Union annual meeting, Cemetery Mosque, 11 a.m.

Memorial Service for late Prof. Hsu Ti-shan, Confucian Hall, 7 p.m.

22—Tides:—High 10.49 a.m. and 11.07 p.m.; Low 4.29 a.m. and 5.04 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.12 a.m.; Sunset: 7.20 p.m. Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m.

23—Tides:—High 11.37 a.m. and 11.45 p.m.; Low 5.17 a.m. and 5.37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.12 a.m.; Sunset: 7.19 p.m. Public Session of Compulsory Service Tribunal, 4 p.m.

24—Tides:—High 12.34 a.m. and 12.53 p.m.; Low 6.04 a.m. and 6.10 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.12 a.m.; Sunset: 7.18 p.m. HK Area Army Swimming Championships, Army Pool, 7.30 p.m.

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Radio Programmes

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Sibelius Symphony No. 1 in E Minor Op. 39

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Did I Remember (From film "Suzy"); A Star Fell Out Of Heaven (Gordon-Reville); Fox-Trot Alone Again (Woods); Slow Fox-Trot—A Couple of April Pools (Kennedy-Carr); Fox-Trot—Moonburn (From film "Anything Goes"); Fox-Trots—Across The Great Divide (Box-Cox-Roberts); My Heart's In Old Kilmore (Leon-Towers); Fox-Trot—My Captain Serenade (Parr-Davies); Waltz—Who's Taking You Home Tonight (Connor).

1.30 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.42 Some Welsh Songs.

The Gipsy (Crwys)—William Edwards (Tenor) with Harp. The Village-Song; Dear Wales (arr. Osbourne Roberts); Lella Megane (Contralto) with Piano. Land Of My Fathers (James and James)—David Brazell (Baritone) with Orch.

1.45 Liszt—Hungarian Fantasia For Piano and Orchestra.

Jacques Dupont (Piano) and the Orchestra. Symphonique de Paris conducted by P. Ruhmann.

1.50 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.55 Elizabeth Welch in Variety.

Comedienne—One Kiss; Harlem In My Heart (From film "Big Fello")—Elizabeth Welch with Orch. Piano—Clownerie Swing; Rumba; Acrobatic (Azarola)—Azarola. Comedians—The Lady And The Bottle; At The Zoo—Brad and Al with Piano accomp. Organ—Dixieland (No. 4)—Intro: There's A Boy Coming Home On Leave; In An Old Dutch Garden; On Johnny; You Made Me Care; Dreaming; I Wanna Wrap You Up—Reginald Dixon, Vocal—The Nearness Of You (Washington-Carmichael); Elizabeth Welch with Orchestra.

1.58 London Relay—Our Love Affair (From film "Strike Up The Band")—Billy Cotton and His Band Rumba—Chita Chica Boom Chic; Tango—They Met In Rio (Both from film "That Night In Rio")—Leo Reisman and His Orchestra. Waltz—Sympathy—Casani Club Orchestra.

2.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

2.02 An Hour Of Variety Requests.

Vocal—Down Argentine Way (From the film); Yes, My Darling Daughter (Lawrence)—Dinah Shore w. Orchestra. Orchestral—Ferryboat Serenade (Adamson)—Billy Cotton and His Band. Vocal—Dolores (From film "Las Vegas Nights")—Bing Crosby w. The Merry Macs. Orchestral—Little Curly Hair In A High Chair (From film "Forty Little Mothers")—Billy Cotton and His Band. Vocal—In Old Dutch Garden; On Johnny; You Made Me Care; Dreaming; I Wanna Wrap You Up—Reginald Dixon, Vocal—The Nearness Of You (Washington-Carmichael); Elizabeth Welch with Orchestra.

2.05 Old Folks At Home (From film "Rhythm On The River")—Billy Cotton and His Band. Vocal—Arms For The Love Of Americs (Irving Berlin)—Any Bonds Today?—Barry Wood and The Lyn Murray Singers with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Only Forever (From film "Rhythm On The River")—Billy Cotton and His Band. Vocal—Arms For The Love Of Americs (Irving Berlin)—Any Bonds Today?—Barry Wood and The Lyn Murray Singers with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Lights Out—Little Jack Little and His Orch. Vocal Duet—Indian Love Call (From film "Rose Marie")—Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy with Orch. Trio—Waltzing In The Clouds (From film "Spring Parade")—Albert Sandner Trio.

2.05—10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

2.45 Variety Requests (Continued).

Vocal—Old Folks At Home (From film "Nice Girl")—Deanna Durbin w. Orch. Waltz—Estudiantina (Waldteufel)—Albert Sandler (Violin) with Piano. Vocal—One Day When We Were Young (From film "The Great Waltz")—Strauss—Milka Korus with Orch. Waltz—Blue Danube (Johann Strauss)—The Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

10.00 London Relay—The News & News Commentary.

10.15 Compositions of Sibelius.

Romance, Op. 78 No. 2; Dance Champetre, Op. 106 No. 2; Emile Telmanyl (Violin) with Piano. Sav, Sav, Sav, Sav, Sav, Op. 36 No. 4; Marion Anderson (Contralto) with Piano. Symphony No. 1 In E Minor—1st Mov: Andante ma non troppo—Allegro energico; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Scherzo; 4th Mov: Finale—The Symphony Orchestra conducted by Robert Kajanus (Professor).

11.00 London — "Makers of History."

11.15 Close Down.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Light Orchestral Berlitz.

The Fiddler's At The Forge (Evening Penny In The Slot (Ashworth-Hope)—Alfred Campoli and His Orchestra.

Swing Me Up Higher—A Fair Ground Fantasy (MacKenzie); A Day In Tyrol (Romer-Faun)—The Bohemians. Rag Doll (Nacio Herb Brown); Parade Of The Tin Soldiers (Jessel)—The New Mayfair Novelty Orch.

7.05 Delius—Sea Drift.

John Brownlee (Baritone), London Select Choir and The London Philharmonic Orchestra.

7.30 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Correspondent.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post: Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Request Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—My Sister and I—Lee Relmian and His Orch. Walt—Waltz—Kisses In The Dark—Alex Moore presents Mantovani's Orchestra for Dancing. Quick-Step—The Chestnut Tree—Jack Hyton and His Orch. Slow Fox-Trot—I'll Never Smile Again—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch.

FULL ACCOUNT OF MARSHAL TIMOSHENKO'S CAPTURE OF YARTSEVO, YELNIA

German Losses Estimated At 10,000 Killed, Wounded

MOSCOW, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The vital importance of MARSHAL TIMOSHENKO'S victory at Yartsevo, 35 miles north-east of Smolensk, was emphasised by General Rokosovski in an article in *IZVESTIA* yesterday.

In this article the General makes it clear that the recapture of Yartsevo and Yelnia, roughly 35 miles south-east of Smolensk, has destroyed the fear of a further German drive on Moscow from this sector.

Moscow radio announced that following this victory Soviet troops are now in a position to invest Smolensk.

In explaining this battle, which was one of the most important on the western bank of the eastern front, General Rokosovski says that a German tank division succeeded in invading region Yartsevo by sudden thrusts some six weeks ago, with the object of relieve their troops which were suffering heavy reverses in this town and reaching Moscow the Yelnia area. The Germans reached the shortest route, which is a road to bring up their reserves straight road to the south and east of Smolensk. This was the signal for numerically small troops in this area to stem the enemy's march.

The sudden resistance of our troops in the Yartsevo area managed to stem the enemy's advance. The German Command, "Our first offensive came as a surprise to the Germans, and on tanks and men near Yartsevo, was the night of August 31 our troops forced to take to the defensive in forced the river Vop and deploy order to bring up reinforcements for attack.

ARTILLERY BARRAGE

Preceded by an artillery barrage our troops broke the enemy's resistance and advance lines. They penetrated deep into his defences.

The Germans met our advance with mine-throwers and machine-guns fire but it was too late. The Soviet infantry were stubbornly pressing forward.

"Abandoning his arms, the enemy was forced to retreat and bring up reinforcements," the General said. "And by the end of the third day, the Germans numbered us considerably."

"Fearing that the Soviet troops might break through to German headquarters, they also hurried into this sector part of their reserves intended for Yelnia. But the Soviet infantry forced the Germans to retreat steadily westward."

"As a result of eight days' fighting at Yartsevo, the Nazi troops lost not less than 10,000 killed and wounded. Our troops captured 12 guns, 30 mine throwers, some 50 machine-guns and 100,000 cartridges, several thousand shells, and a considerable amount of other arms and equipment."

"We destroyed 100 guns, 100 mine-throwers and about 150 machine guns," added the Russian General.

GENERAL PROMOTED

The importance of the Soviet victory in smashing the German attempt to land forces on the Soviet-held islands of Ezel and Moon at the entrance of Riga Bay and partly commanding the Gulf of Finland is emphasised by the promotion of Major-General of Coastal Defence Alexei Yeliseyev to the rank of Lieutenant General, writes Reuter's Resident correspondent in Moscow.

It was he who commanded the new Shah would be judged on his merits and would begin his reign with very limited powers under a constitution compared with those exercised by his father.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that one of the most satisfactory features of recent developments in Persia has been the complete unity of the views and purpose in Anglo-Soviet actions. All plans for all eventualities were carefully considered and complete agreement on all points existed between Mr. Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and M. Ivan Maisky, the Russian Ambassador, whose attitude is officially described as having been "most helpful."

Premier's Statement

TEHERAN, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The Iranian Prime Minister, Ali Furanghi, announced in Parliament yesterday that Allied troops were advancing toward Teheran although the Government had asked them not to approach the city.

"We hope this will be effective," he said, "but even if they do come, members should be easy in their minds for they have no hostile intentions. They have assured us of this and we are certain that we can rely on that promise."

The Prime Minister said he had been authorised by the new Shah to say that he would rule as a completely constitutional monarch. "He will observe the law of the constitution and the rights of the people of Iran," Ali Furanghi said.

CROWN JEWELS

"He will obey all acts already passed or in future to be passed by Parliament and will do his best to amend the wrongs done to the people singly or collectively."

"He will try to ensure that all hopes and wishes of the people shall be realised," the Prime Minister told them.

He also promised full facilities for a Committee of Parliament with experts to verify his assurance that the Crown Jewels were safe in the National Bank in Teheran.

REPEAL OF NEUTRALITY ACT URGED

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—The American Legion, which is composed of veterans of the last World War and one of the most influential organisations in the United States, passed a resolution yesterday proposing the removal of geographical limitations on the use of American troops.

The resolution also demanded the defeat of Hitler and all he stands for and favoured repeal of the American Neutrality Act.

The resolution was greeted with shouts of approval and was carried orally.

FIVE AUSTRIANS EXECUTED

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Five Austrians were executed in Berlin on Tuesday according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swedish paper DAGENS NYHETER.

At one, Eduard Jaroslavsk, 41, said he had displayed hostile tendencies towards the State for many years and had recently attempted to impair the powers of resistance of the German people.

The other four were executed for reasons of espionage which they performed for payment from a foreign power.

Various sections of the Soviet Baltic Navy concerned in beating off the Germans.

While the Soviets hold Ezel and other islands in the same group stretching north and south across the entrance of Riga Bay, it not only means that German entry into the Finnish Gulf is very difficult but also that the German possession of the Riga naval base is practically valueless.

A dispatch describing the German attempt states that the first expedition which tried to approach the islands at dawn on Saturday was beaten off after only a four-hour battle but the second effort, which began on Sunday with a much larger number of smaller vessels, lasted until yesterday and some German forces at one time succeeded in getting a foothold before being thrown back into the sea.

TRANSPORTS SUNK

Aboard each of six transports used on Saturday, of which four were sunk, were up to 2,500 Germans. They were protected by eight destroyers, of which one was sunk, and 11 motor torpedo boats, of which ten were sunk.

The second effort was made from neighbourhood ports on the mainland. The Germans lost one large and many small transports.

The land battle, after some Germans had succeeded in landing, was very bitter. Every yard was contested. Several thousand Germans were killed in this second operation, making the total for attempts extremely costly.

SINGAPORE NOT AFRAID OF BLOCKADE THREAT

SINGAPORE, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—A most encouraging picture of the general defensive position of the area of which Singapore is the strategic centre was given at a joint Press conference by AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East, and VICE-ADMIRAL SIR GEOFREY LAYTON, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station.

Sir Robert said they were not afraid of a blockade threat. They had ample reserves of food and ammunition. He did not think that any blockade was tenable for as long as six months but even within that time they were fully able to break it— even without the assistance of the American Navy.

Questioned concerning his recent visit to the Netherlands, Sir Robert said that from what he had seen he was perfectly satisfied that the N.E.I. would put up a perfectly good show if called on to do so.

They were not going about treading on people's corns, but if attacked they looked to us for advice as witness their sending two officers to look at our defence plans and see the working of our fighter squadrons.

"I should not have thought such a thing possible a few months ago," he added.

In reply to another question, the Commander-in-Chief agreed that Thailand had begun to show an independent attitude towards Japan. They were realising, he said, that they should not become too dependent economically and financially upon Japan.

Admiral Layton told a questioner that the radio report that a raider was at large in the Pacific and that a number of ships had fallen victim was untrue.

GENERAL

BETHUNE POWER PLANT BLASTED BY BLENHEIMS

LONDON, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—Two squadrons of Blenheim bombers, escorted by a strong formation of fighters, attacked a power plant at Mazingarbe near Bethune yesterday afternoon.

It is learned in London that bombs were seen to hit a target and fires were started. German fighters attempted to prevent the attack but failed. At least, six German fighters are known to have been destroyed.

One Blenheim bomber and seven British fighters were lost but one British fighter pilot was later rescued from the sea by the R.A.F. sea rescue service.

German fighters attempted to interfere with the rescue operations but were driven off by British fighter patrols, one German being shot down.

Observers along the English channel state the weather was excellent with remarkably clear visibility when British planes raced across the French coast.

EVENING RAID

Another big force swept across the French coast this evening.

The sky was described as being full of Spitfires and Hurricanes, some flying at a great height. Other fighters, however, were only just above sea level.

Shortly afterwards, heavy explosions were heard from the French coast.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE

Further information now available concerning the R.A.F. raid on the power plant at Mazingarbe, near Bethune, yesterday reveals that the damage caused was very considerable.

The Air Ministry states that this plant is an important one, having batteries of coke ovens and plant for the production of synthetic ammonia, synthetic petrol, alcohol, benzol, methanol and ether together with a thermic power station.

The attack was delivered in two parts in quick succession to each other. The first wave of Blenheims bombers had hardly delivered their bombs before the second wave was ready.

Continuous explosions appeared to come from over the entire works—one explosion every few seconds.

CONTAINER HIT

One large fire was seen to take hold in the centre of the works where the bombs exploded on a large container.

Describing this, one pilot said: "I saw what appeared to be the outside of a gas container blow up. The top blew off and the sides fell away. It was all in flames."

Although the weather was clear on this side of the Channel, there was some cloud over Northern France but not enough to hide the objective. Every bomber was able to make a good run up to the target.

The efforts of German fighters to pierce the screen of British fighters and stop the bombers failed and the bombers observed that fires were still spreading when they left.

BRITISH G.H.Q. COMMUNIQUE

Swaying Battle In Libyan Frontier

CAIRO, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—British Headquarters has issued the following communiqué:

"Following our raids from Tobruk, enemy shelling of our forward positions is still heavy in the east, but has decreased against the south and west sectors."

"In the frontier area, advanced elements of British and South African mechanised forces are continuing their patrolling activities."

The swaying battle in the Libyan-Egyptian frontier areas following a German attack was described in London yesterday.

It was stated that after the initial enemy attack had been repulsed, British forces returned to their original line.

POSITIONS RECAPTURED

Bringing up 20 tanks, the enemy made another attack, which forced the British back between six and seven miles. But by nightfall the British were again back in their original positions.

Five enemy tanks were destroyed.

The enemy's action had apparently been in the nature of reconnaissance in force, with the idea of bombarding the frontier and at Tobruk to "lay out the land," but there is no indication of operation for immediate operation by the enemy on a large scale.



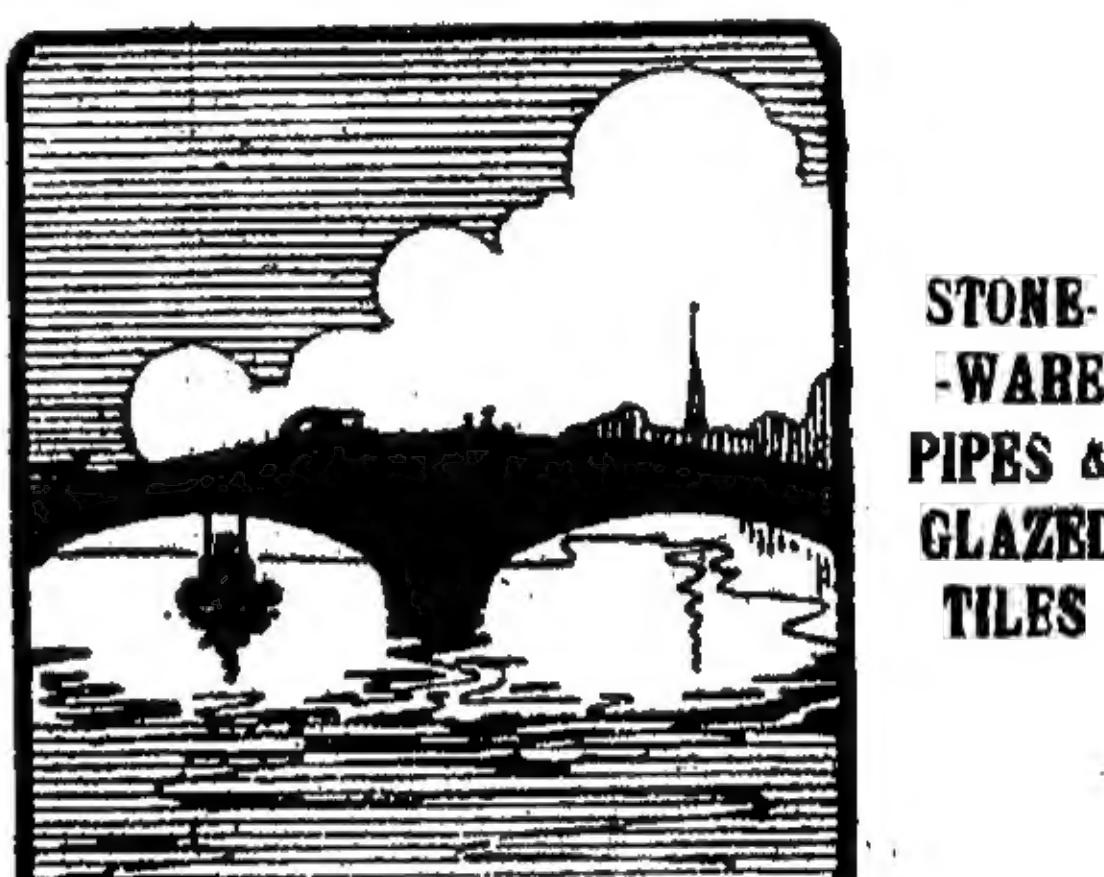
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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH HOME

"Message" Programmes For Empire Forces

By Susan Hawthorne

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

WHEN ONE IS DEPRESSED BY THE THOUGHT THAT THE DISCOVERIES OF SCIENCE HAVE ADDED NEW TERRORS TO MODERN WARFARE, IT IS CONSOLING TO REMEMBER THAT THEY ARE ALSO BEING USED TO MITIGATE SOME OF ITS PERSONAL MISERIES. Even in the last war a man serving overseas might go for months, and even years, without hearing the voices of those he loved and had left behind.

Letters, when they arrived, were often long out of date so that he had no direct contact with his people at home. One of the most interesting of the BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION'S wartime activities is keeping a life-line going between the people at home and men serving overseas. Moreover it also arranges for soldiers, sailors and airmen from all corners of the Empire who are serving in the British Isles, to send messages to their friends and families.

In January 1941, a request was broadcast in the B.B.C. Home Service asking the families of men in the Services to send in messages which could be broadcast in shortwave programmes. The response was so enormous that it was obvious that not merely one but several programmes a week must be organised to deal with messages, each one designed for a specific area.

TYPES OF PROGRAMMES
These programmes range from a very simple and intimate affair consisting almost entirely of messages such as the one JOAN GILBERT commences for the troops in Gibraltar, to elaborate half-hour ones in which the boys abroad hear, not only home news and greetings, but an all-star variety entertainment as well.

Altogether there are three main types of programme; one in which parents, wives, and sweethearts send messages to the boys overseas; another in which boys from overseas send messages to their families in the Empire; and a third in which Empire troops stationed over here send greetings to their friends in the Empire forces serving abroad.

FOURTY WORDS

As Joan wants to pack as many greetings as possible into her programme, they have to be cut down to a maximum of forty words. Joan Gilbert has been affectionately christened by the soldiers in Gibraltar. "The Lady of the Rock", and she is inundated with delightful letters from them. They send her photographs and even stamps and she gets almost as many requests for her own picture as a film star.

One of the most interesting of these "family to soldiers" programmes is the one to India every Thursday. The compere is Franklin Engelmann, a home announcer who does this job on his day off, and does it with immense enthusiasm.

College For Malay Girls

The first Malay girls' college in Malaya will be inaugurated in January next in Kuala Lumpur (F.M.S.), states the Malayans' Trust Fund.

A large building at 31 miles, Ipoh Road, will be converted to suit the purpose.

The College will be to the Malay women of Malaya what the Malay College at Kuala Kangsar is to the men. The pupils will be selected from leading families from the different Malay States.

ONLY ONE OTHER

There is today only one other institution in Malaya which caters for the higher education of the Malay woman, the Malay Women's Training College at Malacca.

The new institution, it is understood, will be a residential college, and arrangements regarding the curriculum and staff are being completed by the Education Department.

The need for a Malay Girls' College has been stressed by responsible Malays for a number of years, and the decision of the Government to open such a college is welcomed by the Malay chiefs.



MISS JOAN GILBERT

AUSTRALIA'S WOMEN'S ARMY

Announcement that a Women's Army was soon to be established in Australia has brought an immediate response in Melbourne.

Hundreds of girls streamed into the office of the Women's Voluntary National Register at Melbourne Town Hall, anxious to put their names down for service as storekeepers, clerks and telegraphists.

The Minister for the Army (Mr Spender) would not discuss the Women's Army yesterday, but is expected to make a statement on scope and organisation of the proposal today.

Messrs Wu Ching-pai and Hu Tsu-wen have been appointed Director and Deputy Director of the Szechwan Opium Suppression Rehabilitation Bureau.

PROF. MAMLOCK:

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION FOR C.D.G. PRESENTATION

The Chinese Drama Group were accorded an enthusiastic reception at the Lee Theatre yesterday afternoon and evening for their two opening presentations in Mandarin of the anti-Fascist play, "PROFESSOR MAMLOCK," authored by Friedrich Wolf. Proceeds are in aid of Chinese Medical Relief.

The action of the play takes place in the days of the elections in the Reich that bring the Nazis to power and the four acts mirror the four initial stages of the Nazi rise to power in Germany as it affects the life of a Hospital.

Chief Surgeon at the Hospital is Dr. Mamlock, a Jew, who is devoted to science, loves justice, and has great confidence in his work and an uncompromising view of duty. He believes that his assistants should not get involved in political disputes, as, in a hospital, he says, there are only doctors and patients and no other categories of individual.

DISMISSED POST

The pictures were taken by Mr. Wong Chung-kong, a Hongkong-born Chinese, who had spent more than two years in the Japanese-occupied territories of China photographing the activities of the guerrillas.

Also exhibited are many pictures depicting well-known landscapes, scenes, and the activities of various Chinese organisations connected with war work in the provinces of Hunan, Yunnan, Kwangsi, Kwangtung, Kweichow, Szechuan and Kiangsi.

The object of the exhibition, said Mr. Wong, was to bring home to the Chinese people living outside China, and to foreigners, the great efforts the people of China today in their war of resistance against the invaders.

Mr. Wong is a graduate of Chungshian University and has been interested in amateur photography since he was 8 years of age.

The pictures are classified under 34 groups, over 300 pictures are displayed.

The exhibition will be open till tomorrow. On Sept. 25, 26, and 27 the pictures will be exhibited at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Kowloon. There is no charge for admission.

THE GIRL THEY LEFT BEHIND

Miss Beryl Smith, of Malvern (South Australia), has 12 brothers in the A.I.F.—seven of them abroad and five training in the eastern States. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Smith, of Mothibuk, Victoria.

Of the seven abroad two are prisoners of war in Greece.

Miss Smith, who was training to be a nurse with the object of going overseas until she acceded to her mother's request that the youngest member of the family should stay at home, said that her father was a member of the 8th Light Horse in the last war and was now doing garrison duty in Victoria after unsuccessful attempts to join the A.I.F.

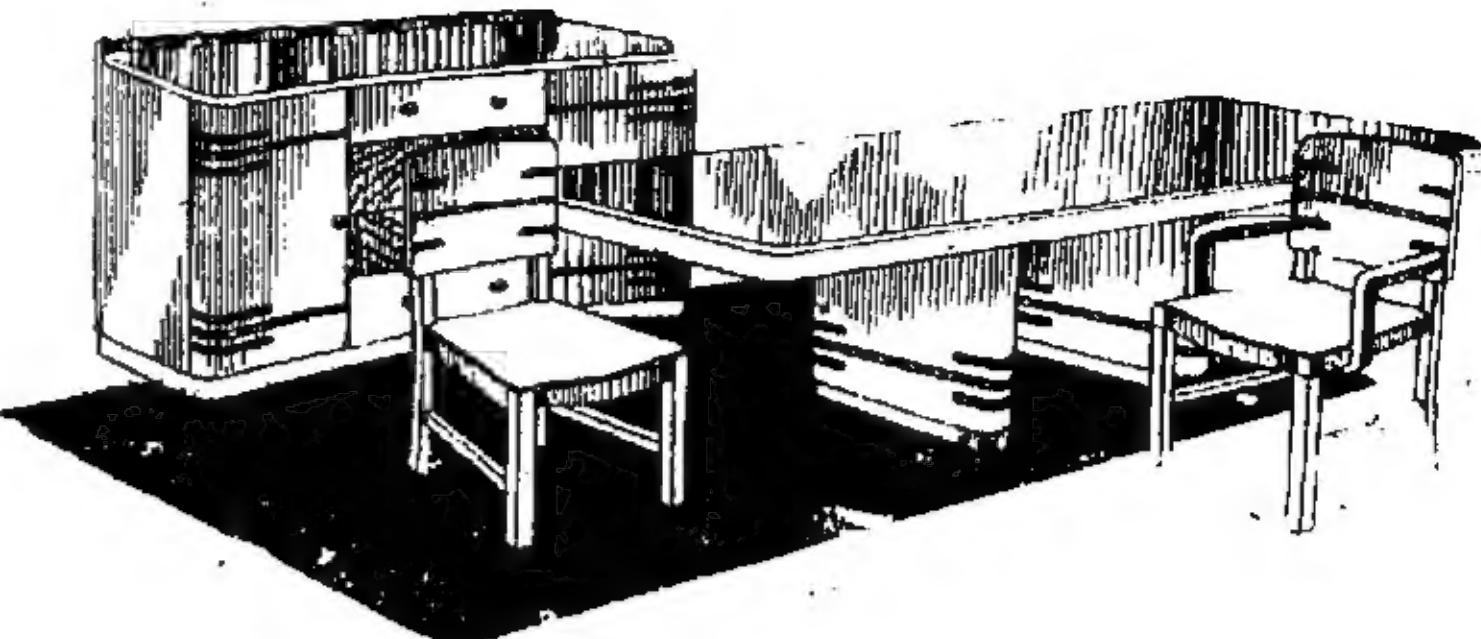
She added that her fiance had been rejected for military duty.

All her spare time, she said, was taken up in writing to her soldier brother, none of whom had considered joining the A.I.F. because they "wanted to be sure of getting overseas in the shortest time."



WITH VICTORY V on her hair-do, MISS MARJORIE LAURIE, of Sydney, has set a new fashion in coiffures. On her long rolled blonde hair she wears this plaited V, which is dyed mauve to make it distinctive.

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FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday:

Alfred Sidney Brown, lance-sergeant, Royal Artillery, of Mount Davis, and Miss Anna Genevieve Shaw, of No. 8 King's Road, Causeway Bay;

Mr. Wong Ha-kul, shroff, of No. 93 Hennessy Road, and Miss Shum Shun-mee, of No. 481 Hennessy Road, third floor;

Mr. Tham Wah-kong, student, of No. 187 Hollywood Road, and Miss Kok Lin-tul, of No. 1131 Canton Road;

The marriage took place in Singapore on Sept. 15 of Suzette, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Compton, of Hongkong, to Mr. Eric Burn, son of the late Mr. E. J. Burn and Mrs. Burn of London.

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1	Lot No. 4319 Between Koon Island & 4141; Lots Nos. 3905 & 4141; Ping Street, Kau Pui Shek.	As per site plan	N. S.E.W. ft. ft. ft.	About 2,200	\$28	1,650

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$165.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG
PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of CHARLES WILLIAM JEFFRIES late of the Royal Observatory Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong Director of the Royal Observatory deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of the provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897 made an order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to 13th October, 1941.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

DEACONS.

Solicitors for the Executor,
1. Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong.

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EDITORIAL

COUNCIL TRIBUTES SIR GEOFFRY NORTHCOTE

WORK IN SPHERE OF EDUCATION,
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HYGIENE

Presiding at the first meeting of the Legislative Council held yesterday afternoon, since his arrival in the Colony, His Excellency the Governor, SIR MARK YOUNG, K.C.M.G., paid warm tribute to the services rendered by the late Governor, SIR GEOFFRY NORTHCOTE, K.C.M.G. The HON. MR. J. J. PATERSON and the HON. MR. M. K. LO, C.B.E., endorsed His Excellency's remarks.

His Excellency said:—

It will, I am sure, be your wish that today's proceedings should include a reference to the services rendered to this Colony, both in the Legislative Council and outside it, by your late President, Sir Geoffrey Northcote.

on behalf of the Unofficials, agree with all Your Excellency has said. Many of us, all of us, I think, had a real affection for Sir Geoffrey.

We are very sorry to see him go due to ill-health and we are extremely grateful for all that he has done and would like to have done but for ill-health.

HON. MR. M. K. LO

Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo (Senior Chinese Member).

The sentiments of the Chinese towards His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote and Lady Northcote have been set out in their Address of Farewell.

It is my privilege this afternoon, in this Council and by way of record, to say that my Chinese colleagues and I respectfully associate ourselves with your Excellency's tribute and to express to Sir Geoffrey the gratitude of the Chinese for all that he has done for them in the sphere of Education, Public Health and Hygiene, and Social Welfare: for his initiative and fruitful labours in the cause of relief of distress and suffering in China; and for his vital contribution to the maintenance and improvement of Sino-British relations.

I must leave it to others who speak with first hand knowledge of Sir Geoffrey Northcote's work here but I can, and do, associate myself very fully with what I know to be the feeling of this Council in regard to him, namely, a feeling of genuine appreciation and gratitude for all that he did for Hongkong.

HON. MR. J. J. PATERSON

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Senior Unofficial Member): May, I, Sir,

neither Britain nor the United States is prepared to make any move to normalise their relations with Japan on a reciprocal basis unless the Japanese show their good faith and desire to bring peace to the Pacific on conditions that will leave no room for any possibility of a disturbance again in the future—even a hundred years hence. Japan must subscribe fully to the Eight-Point Declaration made by Britain and the United States and to do that there are a number of preliminary steps she must take to prove her consistency. These conditions are already well-known to the Japanese and do not require repetition, but it must be emphasised again that a definite assurance to recognise China's independence and integrity must be an integral part of such conditions.

THIS hesitation on Japan's part is readily comprehensible today. It is born of the realisation that her leaders have miscalculated the successes of her Axis partners in Europe. Misled by the achievements of the German blitz in Europe last year up to the fall of France, Japan accepted Herr Hitler's word that he would enter Moscow within a fortnight of his attack on Russia. This invasion of the Soviet is the second time that Herr Hitler has let Japan down. Coming so soon after Tokyo had triumphantly concluded a pact with the Kremlin, it was a nasty knock for the Axis partner in the Orient and she realises now that she is in a decidedly awkward position.

THE REGISTRATION OF DEBENTURES will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 24th SEPTEMBER, 1941, to TUESDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of DEBENTURES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

O. EAGER,

Secretary.

The HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

4% DEBENTURES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that INTEREST for the six months ending 30th SEPTEMBER, 1941, on the above DEBENTURES will be payable at the OFFICES of the COMPANY on that date.

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O. EAGER,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th Sept., 1941.

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MR. YANO LEAVES

Mr. Seiki Yano, Consul-General for Japan, left the Colony for Canton yesterday morning on his way to Nanking to attend a conference of the Japanese Consul-General in China. He is expected to return to the Colony by the end of the month.

During Mr. Yano's absence, the Consulate here will be in charge of Mr. S. Kimura.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1941.

NEW EQUIPMENT OF R.A.F.: TYPES OF PLANES NOW IN PRODUCTION

BY LIEUT.-COL. W. LOCKWOOD MARSH
(EDITOR OF "AIRCRAFT ENGINEERING")

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

Sufficient details have now been released for publication of the new types of aeroplane now in production at the works of the British aircraft industry to indicate, if part at least, the new equipment of the Royal Air Force.

Since they came into prominence in the Spring of 1940, both the HURRICANE and SPITFIRE have been improved to give even higher performance. A more powerful Rolls-Royce Merlin engine is installed which develops some 1,250 horse-power.

The later Hurricane is fitted with "stressed-skin" metal-covered wings, while the Spitfire, in the Mark III version, has had 22 inches taken off each end of the wings—the resulting square tips rather marring the appearance of the original elliptical shape—to give it an increase in speed to a figure which is only a few miles below 400 m.p.h.

Both have been used most successfully on moonlight nights in defence against the enemy bombers and the Spitfire III, at any rate, is frequently fitted with a shell-firing "cannon" gun.

But the Hurricane and the Spitfire are due for replacement by the new Hawker Tornado and Typhoon.

9,600 BULLETS A MINUTE

THE TORNADO has the new Rolls-Royce Vulture engine of interesting design, with 24 cylinders arranged in the form of an X, developing something over 2,000 horse power.

THE TYPHOON is equipped with the Napier Sabre engine which produces 2,400 horsepower.

This engine is a development of the early Rapier and later

Dagger engines—the latter fitted in the Herford version of the

Handley Page bomber, known as the Hampden when fitted with Bristol radial engines.

All these Napier engines are designed by Major F. B. Halford and are unusual in that the cylinders are arranged in the shape of the letter H with the crankshaft and camshafts forming as it were, the crossbar in the middle.

The Sabre differs from the Rapier and Dagger, apart from the size, in being liquid-cooled instead of air cooled.

All Rolls-Royce engines are, of course, and have been for a good number of years now, also liquid-cooled.

The Typhoon is officially stated to have a maximum speed well over 400 m.p.h.—an American paper says 410 m.p.h.—and the Tornado's speed has been stated by an American paper (quoted by Lord Beaufighter) to be 425 m.p.h.; but in fact, the former is probably slightly the faster.

One of the shocks that the Germans suffered from in the early

EFFECTIVE PROTECTION

No performance figures are yet available for the WHIRLWIND but, like the Beaufighter, it is intended to provide effective fighter protection for long-range bombers, at a greater distance from its base than is possible with the single-engined type with its limited range, and also for seeking out and destroying enemy bombers, such as the Focke-Wulf Fw 200 Kurier, carrying out marauding attacks on convoys out in the Atlantic.

Pending the appearance of these two machines, the bulk of their work has been carried out by the BRISTOL BLENHEIM MARK IV bomber, modified to act as a twin-engined fighter. The Beaufighter has also been used with success for night protection against enemy raiders; as has, of course, the Merlin-engined Boulton Paul Defiant with four-gunned power-operated turrets.

A decision to despatch telegrams of tribute to Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was approved at the meeting.

FLAG AT HALF-MAST

Practically all Chinese shops,

schools, banks and other establishments

flew the Chinese National

flag at half-mast yesterday in ob-

servation of the occasion while the

vernacular papers gave great pro-

mance to Generalissimo Chiang

Kai-shek's message to the Chinese

nation on the eve of the Mukden

Incident anniversary, and issued

supplements.

In their editorials, they were unanimous in voting their support to the policy of continued resistance until the recovery of all lost territory and the realisation of full national independence and freedom.

A Flag Day was held by the Hongkong branch of the Chinese

Women's Soldiers' Roller Associa-

tion in aid of war relief.

VARIETY CONCERT FOR SERVICEMEN

The Y.M.C.A. Concert Party, under the direction of David Kosick, will present a Variety Entertainment on Thursday next, Sept. 26, at 8.30 p.m., at the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, Gloucester Road.

Members of the Merchant Navy and Servicemen, to whom admission will be free, are cordially invited.

The programme includes artifices whose names are newly associated with the party, and several of last season's performers. New numbers and acts are being introduced and a high standard of entertainment can be anticipated.

GEN. CHIANG'S MESSAGE

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Japanese hands so long with China's war continue

WAR AIMS DEFINED

Broadcasting at 10 p.m. last night, the Generalissimo seized the occasion to re-define China's war aims saying: "We are fighting in order that the independent existence of the Chinese nation can be preserved, and our administrative and territorial integrity rendered secure against all such peril as now menaces it. Our aim is to procure for China free and equal enjoyment of rights under a new order of things in the Orient and the world that shall deserve the name of just peace."

I am convinced that the Powers opposed to Japan are daily tightening and strengthening the cordon they are drawing about her. I further believe that the final collapse of Japan as an aggressor that has wrought so much evil in East Asia during the past decade is about to begin. That is the reflection that should hearten and spur us on as we commemorate today the anniversary of that dark hour of ten years ago."

WASHINGTON TALKS

Indirectly referring to the Washington exploratory talks, the Generalissimo said: "The hope of success for Japanese Continental and Pacific policies is already dispelled by Chinese resistance. Today we have full confidence in the nations friendly to us and supremely optimistic regarding our future fight against the aggressors. At the same time, we believe that a place of high renown and honour in the pages of human history is reserved for the part we are playing in the struggle. We intend to press forward from height to height, never losing sight of the invariable goal of our national policy."

Referring to Manchuria, the Generalissimo said: "As long as the Northeast remains under the control of the Japanese, no peace-loving nation in the world can be sure of putting an end to their acts of aggression. The history of conflict between China and Japan has been written about the theme of the Northeast which if lost to China would prevent national revival and constitute, in the hands of the Japanese, an immediate danger to the world. World security, much as China's national existence, depends on the expulsion of the aggressor from that rich land."

TREMENDOUS SCHEME

After pointing out that China now has friendly nations on her side ready to assist and support her cause, mentioning particularly the United States, Britain, Soviet Russia, Generalissimo Chiang reminded them that Japan was early bent upon subjecting Britain, America and Russia to her aggression designs, culminating in the Mukden Incident of September 18, 1931 when the Japanese took the initiative to unfold a tremendous scheme, the scope of which the threatened nations now appreciate and which they are co-operating to frustrate.

ATTEMPT TO PASS FORGED \$50 NOTE

A Chinese woman of about 48 years of age went to the Fook Cheung Money Changers at No. 225, Shanghai Street, Yaumati, on Wednesday to change a Hongkong & Shanghai Bank \$50 note.

After close examination, the foki of the shop informed her that the note was a forgery. The woman, apparently self-conscious of her guilt, hurriedly left the place leaving the \$50 note behind.

The foki brought the forged note to the Yaumati Police station and made a report there.

DRIFTING MINE OFF CHEUNG CHAU

It was reported that a Macao steamer, on her return journey from the Portuguese port on Wednesday, sighted a drifting mine when she was in the vicinity of Cheung Chau.

The mine was close to the ship, but through good seamanship the mine was evaded and the vessel safely docked on Wednesday night.

LEAP TO DEATH

A Hongkong Jockey Club Stables mafou, Chu Ling, 30, leaped to his death from the second floor of the servants' quarters at the Stables in Shing Kwong Road, Happy Valley, yesterday morning. Chu was in charge of Clowner, a 1937 Subscription Griffin, owned by Mr. Fielden.

SOVIET MINES IN SEA OF JAPAN: PROTEST LODGED

TOKYO, Sept. 18 (Reuter)—THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS PRESENTED A STRONG PROTEST TO THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT REGARDING FLOATING SOVIET MINES IN THE JAPAN SEA WHICH HAVE sunk one Japanese vessel and damaged another, it was announced by the Foreign Office at 6 p.m. today, according to a Japanese report.

The announcement said that more than 10 floating mines were picked up in Japanese territorial waters or on the high seas since Aug. 25. On Sept. 1, a 60-ton Japanese vessel was hit and sunk by one of these mines in the waters south of Ranan, Northern Korea, where five Korean fishermen were lost.

On Sept. 10, one of the floating mines picked up by a Korean fishing boat exploded, killing four fishermen. According to an investigation carried out later by Japanese officials, it was found that all these mines were of Russian make with the possibility of many others.

Apology Made To C.J.

TAIPO COUPLE HELD UP

A robbery by four Chinese occurred in an unnumbered hut in Tong Bar Mei Village, Taipo, in the early hours of yesterday morning, resulting in the loss of \$78 and one of the neighbours being injured.

It was alleged that four Chinese forcibly entered the hut where the inmates, Lee Kwal, 50, and his wife were asleep. The men roughly woke Lee up and demanded from him his valuables.

During the commotion, a neighbour, Wong Sim, heard of what was going on and blew his police whistle. Angered at this interruption the robbers, on making their escape, struck Wong on the head.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Sept. 17:

Chicken-Pox, five cases; Cholera, three cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, nine cases; Enteric Fever, three cases; Tuberculosis, 61 cases.

AMERICAN WARSHIPS WILL PROTECT SHIPPING UNDER FLAG, SAYS H. C. FERRABY

"American warships will be available to protect shipping under whatever flag it flies," said MR. H. C. FERRABY, B.B.C. Naval observer, when he broadcast yesterday from London and discussed the effect of the extension of American naval action.

Mr. Ferraby said that they had all been a little puzzled as to the exact meaning of the phrase "American defensive waters" which was used by President Roosevelt in his recent broadcast.

AMERICAN WATERS

Colonel Knox had added to the puzzle by declaring that the United States Navy would protect all "Lease and Lend" supplies traversing the sea "between the American continent and the waters adjacent to Iceland."

The German naval staff was, also no doubt considerably puzzled. They would want to know whether American warships are going to take action against commerce raiders in the Pacific. After all, there were ships that had to go from and to Panama, Honolulu and the Philippine Islands, and it could be argued, in view of the Pan-American agreement that all these are American defensive waters, and the German naval staff was in the position of not knowing where they would be encountered by United States warships.

In effect, President Roosevelt's declaration means that all shipping, no matter under what flag it flies, will be protected from attacks by German submarines," said Mr. Ferraby. "This means a considerable relief to the overworked allied and British navies."

GERMAN EFFORTS

Mr. Ferraby recalled that usually a very large number of warships had to be employed in dealing with enemy raiders. He said that in the last war as many as 38 allied warships were engaged in chasing the German raiders. In this war to be told the world will realize the heroic work that has been done."

GENERAL

U.S. DIPLOMACY IN FAR EAST

America's fundamental policies conflict with the policies of Japan, and consequently, the present negotiations between these two countries may result in a truce that could be summed up as a "cooling-off" period, but it is highly improbable that any agreement or understanding of an important nature, that would finally settle the Far Eastern conflict, will come of these negotiations.

Such was the opinion expressed yesterday by Dr. Stephen Chao-ying Pan when he addressed the weekly tiffin meeting of the Hong-kong Y.M.C.A. Club yesterday. Dr. Pan spoke on the subject "Present Trends of American Diplomacy in the Far East."

The announcement stated that it was believed most of the floating mines were swept away from Vladivostok Harbour where the Soviet Government planted mines in July as the Russian Radio station at that time broadcast an alarm to all vessels in the Japan Sea concerning the danger of floating mines.

American policy today, the speaker said, backs China, while at the same time it seeks to win Japan away from the Axis alliance.

This is a dream that it has not yet come true. Indeed, so much inclined is a section of America's responsible opinion to believe in the possibility of America's third best customer being won away from her Axis partners that much patience has been extended Japan in the matter of the sale of war material to the country through the past four years.

CHARITY CABARET

A successful cabaret tea dance, in aid of the \$1 Bomber Fund (Chinese) Movement, inaugurated recently, was held by the Hong-kong Chinese Women's Soldiers' Relief Association at the Capital Ballroom yesterday.

CHI YIN YAT PAO HOCKEY

In a closely contested match at Ciro's Skating Rink yesterday evening, Hongkong Skating Club A" practically assured themselves of the championship for the Chi Yin Yat Pao hockey (roller skates) Cup by defeating their strongest rivals, the Cyclone Sports Club, by one goal to nil, scored in the closing minutes.

"The Ramparts We Watch," March of Time's first feature-length picture opens at the King's Theatre today. The film has been designed to show the new understanding that has come to America of its present problems by showing that Americans have, in the past, met great problems and vanquished them by united effort.

NEW EQUIPMENT OF R.A.F.

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been achieved by the new night fighting methods is shown by the fact that, in the month of April, 50 enemy machines were brought down by night fighters out of a total of 88 destroyed. This figure of 88 incidentally, compares with the previous record of 46.

FOUR-ENGINED BOMBERS

A series of new four-engined bombers are coming into service of which one—a STIRLING—made a remarkable daylight raid on Emden on one of the last days of April, audaciously coming down to 1,500 feet from the ground to drive the attack home by machine-gun fire. This machine is the latest product of Short Brothers of Rochester who have hitherto concentrated on a long line of successful seaplanes such as the Empire flying boats and Sunderland reconnaissance boat, used by the Coastal Command of the Royal Air Force. It has been stated to have a wing span of 99 feet, range of 3,000 miles and maximum speed in excess of 330 m.p.h.

Sandley-Page have brought out the HALIFAX as a successor to the Hampden, of which it may be considered the four-engined development.

A new heavy twin-engined bomber is the AVRO MANCHESTER, powered by two Vulture engines, a high performance machine of somewhat unusual appearance.

According to Lord Beaverbrook, (quoting American papers) it has a wing span of 90 feet and a speed of 325 m.p.h.

The Training Command has been strengthened by the acquisition of the BLACKBURN BOFTA, with two 930 horse-power Perseus sleeve-valve engines, originally designed as a torpedo-bomber.

The Fleet Air Arm of the Royal Navy has now been almost completely re-equipped with Perseus-engined Blackburn Skua dive bombers, and two-seat two-seater fighters and the Fairley Merlin-engined Fulmar two-seater fighter and Albacore torpedo-carrying general reconnaissance bomber with a Bristol Taurus-engine.

MONEY FOR "MARRIAGE FUND"

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You continued to hold that account until February, 1939. Is that correct?—1938 or 1939. I don't remember exactly which year.

During the period that you had this savings account, you deposited the sum of \$1,017.43. Is that correct? Yes.

Will you tell me a few details about these deposits you made? I think I will remind you of them. On February 15, 1937 you deposited \$170? Yes.

Where did you get that from? From my sister.

What is the name of your sister?—Mrs. Leung.

Where does she live?—I think 84 Caine Road. I am not sure of the number.

And you got that money from your sister? She asked me to put the money to this account.

Why did she not put it in her own name? Because she cannot read.

Have you given it back to her yet?—Yes sir.

When? At different times, when she needed money she asked for it.

And have you given it all back to her? Yes sir.

Have you got a receipt?—No sir, because we are brother and sister receipt was not necessary.

You trust one another?—Certainly sir.

On May 22, 1937, you deposited \$210. Yes sir.

Where did you get it from, is it your savings on \$1.75 a day? Again this money belonged to my sister.

What is your sister doing?—I don't know I was working in Shing Mun and only saw her at week-ends.

But didn't she tell you what she was doing?—No sir, but she said the money was to be laid aside for her marriage, her "marriage fund."

SISTER'S MONEY

Is she married now?—Yes.

On June 24 you deposited another \$200. Yes sir.

And on August 9, you deposited \$200. Is that her money?—Yes sir, all this is her money.

Now, on November 1, you deposited \$200 and on November 19, you withdrew \$100. What was that for?—She said she wanted the money and I got it for her.

In February 17, 1939, all the money had been withdrawn except \$77.37?—Yes sir, all the money was given back to my sister.

Have you a bank account now? No sir.

Are you quite sure about that?—Yes sir.

What are you doing now?—I am partly foreman and partly in charge of the accounts in the office.

What office?—The Government office in Hung Hom.

Government Office?—I don't know.

Who told you to go there?—Mr. Campbell.

Did he tell you it was a Government office?—No.

You thought it was a Government office?—Yes sir.

Why?—I don't know.

Does Mr. Buchanan go and measure the footage of muck removed from the tunnels?—I don't know.

The Chairman: I say he does not and Mr. Campbell also does not.

NOT OKAYED

Referring to the sum of \$1,485 paid for removing surface from Site No. 2, the Chairman added:

The money was paid to the Kwong Wing Transportation Company, a company which we know is supposed to be owned by the wife of Kwong Wing whose office was a small space in a cockpit. If you and the other foremen were supposed to have checked the footage why is it not o.k'd by one of you?—I don't know, the voucher did not pass through my hands.

You can't explain?—No.

Perhaps you can explain this one, said the Chairman, handing witness another voucher.

I have never seen this voucher before, replied Witness.

Is that also a voucher of money paid to Kwong Wing?—So I see.

It is \$3,889 for the transportation of muck. Who o.k'd it?—It is o.k'd by T. F. Cheng.

Who is he?—The Government servant who looked after this account.

KNOW IT NOW

Pointing out to witness that the date on the voucher was dated after he had started to work the Chairman asked: Why is it not o.k'd by you?—It did not pass through my hands.

Are you telling us now that a lot of bills do not pass through your hands?—Well, here is one.

Do you know why?—I have

had some typewritten bills but have never o.k'd a bill made out in the Chinese language.

The position is this. You did not o.k. this bill although you were detailed by Mr. Campbell to check them, and that large amount of money was paid without your o.k.—I have never seen that voucher before.

What is the letter head on the typewritten document?—There is no letter head; it is simply plain paper on which is typed "A.R.P. Tunnels."

What you refer to is a sort of summary which goes to the Treasury?—That is so, I only o.k. that kind of document.

Would I be correct to say that as far as you are concerned you are not in a position to say that this sum of money was properly earned by Kwong Wing?—Yes.

I am going to tell you something. Several vouchers by Kwong Wing for transportation were not o.k'd by you, although it was your duty to do so. It was impossible for me. They did not pass through my hands.

I am making a statement of fact; that this was so with several vouchers. Since they were not presented to me, how could I o.k. them?

ROB GOVERNMENT

I suggest that the Transportation Company was formed purely and only as a blind to rob the Government by overcharges and that they did so aided and abetted by you and other Government officials. Is that so?—No, that is not so.

LAMMERTS AUCTIONS

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PUBLIC AUCTION. PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Friday, the 19th September, 1941
at 11 o'clock, a.m.

at the Holt's Wharf, Kowloon

172 DRUMS FERRIC CHLORIDE

For Inspection Orders please apply to the Undersigned

Terms Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Liquida-tors and others

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Saturday the 29th September, 1941

commencing at 11 o'clock a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Con-naught Road, Central, Second Floor.

ONE "LEITZ" RESEARCH MICROSCOPE complete with Accessories

Four "UNDERWOOD" Typewriters
1 Case Wooden Framed Mirrors
1 "ROYAL" Typewriter
15 Cases Ladies Shoes
134 5-lb. Tins "Bitulac" Brand Ready Mixed Paint

A QUANTITY OF OFFICE FURNITURE

"TOO MANY BIGAMY CASES FOR TRIAL"

"I cannot understand why it should have been insisted that cases of bigamy should be tried here and not elsewhere," remarked Mr. Justice Humphreys at Kent Assizes recently.

"I should think that in 99 per cent of cases pleas of guilty are made, and no question of law or of human interest is involved."

"Those cases might well be disposed of by magistrates at police courts or by Quarter Sessions."

Of 22 cases in the Assize calendar ten were indictments for bigamy, the majority of the alleged offenders being serving soldiers.

Two offenders and their sentences were:

Albert Hunt, 34, soldier—four months' imprisonment; and.

Albert Edward Restall, 26, soldier—three months.

Hunt was married in 1926, and four years later his wife obtained a separation. In 1934, posing as single and using the name of Laurence, he bigamously married Miss Mabel Fuller at Tunbridge Wells.

HAD CONVICTIONS

Miss Fuller, who had two children left Hunt after three years. She also obtained a separation order, under which nothing was paid.

A police officer said Hunt had six previous convictions, including an assault on the police.

Restall's wife, whom he married in 1937, obtained a separation after 16 months on the ground of persistent cruelty.

In February of last year, while in the Army at Tonbridge, Restall met Miss Dorothy Mills. She became pregnant, and he went through a form of marriage with her at Plaxton Parish Church.

Told that Restall had a bad character, the judge said, "You treated your wife badly, you get two months for assault on a girl, and you commit bigamy. You must go to prison."

In all cases sentences of three days' imprisonment were passed, which meant immediate discharge.

In the remaining two cases a man and a woman both pleaded they had not seen or heard from their legal spouses for seven years. They were found not guilty and discharged.

For further particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to:

Messrs. HASTINGS & CO., Solicitors, Merlin House, or to

Messrs. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers, No. 2 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong.

PARTICULARS.

The property consists of one equal undivided ninth part or share, or in all, that piece or parcels of ground registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 2278. Together with the messuage and other erections thereon known as No. 16 Fung Wong Terrace.

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Chairman On "Princely Salary"

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Every day?—Not every day: once or twice a week. And having satisfied yourself, the bill is sent to Mr. Campbell and the bills are ok'd by some one else in the P.W.D.—I can't say. I know nothing of the bills sent in by contractors.

Nothing at all?—Yes.

Am I right in saying that as the result of these questions, the position is this:—You at \$2.50 a day are the man through whom Government has been paying thousands and thousands of dollars?—Since I was instructed to work in this manner I did so. I was not the only man who was doing this work. There are also Mr. F. T. Cheng and another Chinese foreman.

What is Cheng's salary?—\$80.

A princely salary!

Is it correct that no European engineers ever bothered even to check the work on the tunnels and relied entirely and solely on the Chinese foremen?—Mr. Campbell and Mr. Buchanan were also responsible.

Chairman:—But Mr. Campbell has said he was overworked and had far too much to do and could not possibly check all the work and had to rely on you. He always accepted everything you told him as correct?—Mr. Campbell has his own brain.

And so did Mr. Buchanan?—Likewise, he could think the matter over.

But over \$800,000 was spent by Government on your certificate or statement to European engineers that everything was correct?—We were merely acting on instructions.

Where do you live?—At the Chinese YMCA.

Have you ever owned a car?—No. I was surprised when I saw a statement in the Chinese press that I had one and laughed.

Have you ever driven one?—Yes.

CAR NO. 599

Which was the last car you drove?—Car No. 599. We have five sites to inspect so when we are in a hurry we have to use a car.

In other words you are supplied with a car by the P.W.D.?—No. This car belongs to a sub-contractor.

Who? Name him.—Li Man-sing.

He is a sub-contractor to Kin Lee?—Yes.

And he supplies labour to Kin Lee?—No.

What does he do?—He supplies tunnel lining.

And you drive about in his car?—Yes.

To visit the jobs?—Not to go round to all of the sites, but from site to site.

How did you get the car? Did you speak to the sub-contractor?—It happens sometimes that the car is outside the office. I then ask the person in it at the time for permission to use it and it is granted.

And you drive about yourself from site to site?—Sometimes I drive myself, at others the driver does so.

Are you allowed any allowance for transportation by P.W.D.?—I am supplied with a bus ticket.

And why did you not visit the sites by bus then, instead of driving a car?—Sometimes a bus takes too long, nearly half-an-hour.

Have you ever driven in car No. 599 after 6 o'clock at night?—Yes, just for convenience sake, after I have finished for the day.

Where to?—Sometimes to my house, sometimes to the YMCA. In other words you use the car as a convenience?—Sometimes; I was always given leave to.

Have you ever used a car belonging to another sub-contractor?—No. other sub-contractor owned a car.

Have you ever been to a restaurant in that car?—No.

You have never been to a cinema in that car?—No. The driver was not pleased to go to the cinema with me.

Have you ever asked him?—No. I mean really that he does not like the cinema.

Have you ever been on a joy ride in this car?—No.

At this stage witness was told to stand down in order that evidence from another witness may be taken. He was, however, told not to go away as he would be required again later.

MR. BISHOP CALLED

Mr. O. W. E. Bishop, Executive Engineer, Waterworks Construction, was the next witness called, and in answer to the chairman said he had brought along with him the morning reports in connection with tunnelling work in Kowloon done by Kin Lee.

In all cases sentences of three days' imprisonment were passed, which meant immediate discharge.

In the remaining two cases a

man and a woman both pleaded

they had not seen or heard from

their legal spouses for seven years.

They were found not guilty and discharged.

GENERAL

because I had some experience of tunnels in the Shing Mun Scheme.

Well, the fact remains that you suddenly rose from office boy in Shing Mun to No. 1 foreman in the A.R.P. tunnels scheme.—I was never an office boy. I gained promotion step by step.

You worked under Mr. Campbell all the time?—Yes, except when I was on Home leave.

I mean all the time he was in Hong Kong.—I also worked under Mr. Woodman.

But I am correct in saying that you looked upon Mr. Campbell as your boss?—A fact: he was my boss.

You know a man called Chu Pak-lum?—No, sir.

Well, this man I am referring to is No. 1 foreman who looks after open shelters in Kowloon.—I seldom go about with these people.

You don't know him?—No.

Now, those sub-contractors who do tunnelling work are supplied with materials by Kin Lee?—Correct.

They are issued to them?—Yes. Is that part of the work you supervise too?—Yes.

A statement has been made that unless a sum of money has been paid to the foreman, they are not issued with the materials. Is that correct?—A lot of people hate me, are against me, because I am too strict on the job, and they have been spreading scandalous rumours about me.

What statements have been made against you?—Rumours. I have heard rumours that they wanted to report me to my superiors.

For what, doing your work properly?—No. The people say that I had been taking squeeze.

Have you taken any steps to report these rumours?—No.

Why not?—I cannot say who spread them.

FALSE RUMOURS

No, but having heard the rumours, you could have told Mr. Campbell that the rumours had been spread about you.—No, I did not.

And those rumours are false?—Yes.

Can you tell me why, you of all the foremen, have been singled out?—I don't know why.

I see, it is just your misfortune?

—Absolutely.

Amongst these rumours, have you heard that you and other foremen demand some explosives back, when you issue them, so that you can sell them?—No.

It is something new then?—Yes. Do you know a man called Ho?—Ho Kwai-sun, yes.

How long have you known him?—He says he has known me a long time.

Why does he say that?—He says that he used to work in Shing Mun.

Is that correct?—It is such a long time I have forgotten.

How did he get the job?—He went to Mr. Campbell, and showed him his certificate and got the job.

Have you anything to do with the sub-contractor for the drilling part of the work?—Yes.

And have you heard that the foremen had to be given cumshaw as otherwise they would not give the sub-contractors the drills?—No.

What kind of drills are they?—They are hexagon drills, 7/8th in. diameter.

Are there any 7 feet long?—Yes.

And these are used for a particular kind of work?—Yes, they are used for drilling holes for blasting.

And if the sub-contractor can't get them the work is held up?—Yes.

You have not heard of rumours that unless he pays a cumshaw he would not be able to get the drills?—There is no such thing as that.

CUMSHAW

As what?—Cumshaw before issue.

No, but have you heard of the rumours?—No.

Mr. Bishop has produced the morning reports for June?—Yes.

Who are they signed by?—They are signed by Chung Chun and I initialised them at the left-hand corner.

And he signs them and gives them to you?—No, I initial them and give them to him.

Who writes out the statements?

How do you check them?—I take measurements in the tunnels.

You do that every day?—No, how can I do that?

Was there any occasion when you initialised them without checking?—Yes, sometimes. I trust my foremen.

And when that happens the head foreman signs them without checking?—I don't know that.

He only signs on your initials?

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AMERICAN AID TO CHINA DETAILED IN 32-PAGE REPORT TO CONGRESS

President Roosevelt on Monday submitted a 32-page report to Congress, revealing that more than \$180,000,000 worth of war supplies future plans for further aid to China and other countries fighting the Axis Powers under the Lend-Lease Programme and outlining future plans for further aid to China. The President reported that the Administration is preparing a programme to help the Chinese to strengthen their air force.

President Roosevelt also disclosed that the Lend-Lease Programme had supplied equipment for the Yunnan-Burma Railway and the Burma Road in order to speed the flow of arms and materials to the "heroic Chinese people."

In addition to war materials, China has virtually limitless manpower which built the Burma Road unaided and is now harnessing medicine and technical assistance to fight malaria while a military mission is being dispatched to China in connection with supplying Lend Lease aid.

In special sections concerning American aid to China, President Roosevelt reported: "In the case of China as with Britain, one of the major tasks has been to improve, extend and make secure long communication lines over which defence articles must be delivered. Cargo vessels have been supplied by the United States Maritime Commission to carry the needed goods over the long voyage to Rangoon."

OVERLAND TRANSPORT

Overland transport into Free China requires the use of highways, railways, waterways and airlines. Fundamental steps have been taken to strengthen the vital routes. Paving materials have been delivered and applied for resurfacing China's lifeline, the Burma Road, and a growing fleet of Lendlease trucks are in operation on these civilian supply routes. Regular shipments of gasoline, motor oils and spare parts and tires are being provided for the service of these trucks and other vehicles.

5-Year Reconstruction Project For Kansu

LANCHOW, Sept. 18 (Central)—General Ku Cheng-jun, Chairman of the Kansu Provincial Government has submitted a Kansu 5-Year Reconstruction Project to the fourth plenary session of the Kansu Provincial People's Political Council for consideration.

The project, drafted in accordance with the National 3 Year Reconstruction Project promulgated by the Executive Yuan, emphasizes the tightening of reconstruction and fulfilment of wartime needs.

For training personnel to execute the project an additional \$300,000 will be appropriated from the provincial treasury.

MAXIMUM RUBBER PRODUCTION URGED

"We have now completed the second year of war conditions and thanks to the protection of the British Navy and the Imperial Forces, this country has remained under peaceful conditions and the rubber industry has been prosperous," said Mr. Tan Cheng Lock, presiding at the annual general meeting of the Malayan Estate Owners' Association, held in Kuala Lumpur.

"The defences of Malaya," he went on, "have been strengthened enormously and I am confident that we are in a position to meet any threat to this country."

PINEAPPLE INDUSTRY

The pineapple industry is still working under adverse conditions. Shipments to the United Kingdom, which previously was the principal market, have entirely stopped for the time being, and there is only a small demand from the Dominions of Canada and New Zealand and from the Middle East.

"Many estates have been forced to close down and have been abandoned."

"As regards the Association itself, I am again able to report a small increase in membership."

Continuing, the chairman said the accounts for the year showed a deficit of \$184.57. However, a member who wished to remain anonymous forwarded a special donation of \$185 to cover the deficit and he would like to express the gratitude of the Association.

"During the year our Malay canvasser visited Selangor, Perak, Negeri Sembilan, Pahang and Malacca. Our Chinese canvasser is confining his operations to Selangor at present, but it is hoped to extend the propaganda work among the Chinese, who own a very large acreage in this country."

"The co-operation of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce has been sought and any assistance which they can give will be most gratefully received."

Mr. Tan Cheng Lock was re-elected president and Mr. F. de Langda re-elected vice-president (Malaya Tribune).

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

SEPTEMBER 18, 1941.

in London:	Telegraphic Transfer	27/4
	Bank Bills, on demand	1/2 7/8
	Credits 4 months' sight	
in Shanghai:	On demand	480
in Singapore:	On demand	52 3/4
in Japan:	On demand	102 1/4
in India:	Telegraphic Transfer	82 5/8
	and demand	2 1/2
in New York:	Bank Bills, on demand	24 15/16
	Credits, 60 days' sight	26 6/8
in Batavia:	On demand	46 3/4
in Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand	Nom.
	Credits 4 months' sight	Nom.
in Saigon:	On demand	106
in Manila:	On demand	49 7/8
in Bangkok:	On demand	148
	Sterling Notes	
	Bank Buying Rate	Nom.
	Silver per oz.	23 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Thursday, Sept. 18. Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 7/16 for Forward. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 1/4

MARKET

Quiet STERLING

There were sellers at 1 3 up to October, buyers at 1 3 1/32 for Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Selling rate to Merchants 25/1/16

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

515 SHANGHAI MARKET

Official rates, sellers of Sterling at 3 5/32 and U.S. Dollars at 5 5/16.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet STERLING

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Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Sept. 18 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/3-5, 32

New York 5-5 1/2

Japan unquoted

India 17-1/2

Paris unquoted

Hongkong 21

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 24¢ per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Sept. 17 (Reuter).

Govt. 3/4 per cent. Rupee, 98-0-0

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Sept. 17 (Reuter).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle

Price £256-1/2 buyers; £256-3/4 sellers.

Tin, Standard, 3 Months, Middle

Price £259-1/2 buyers; £259-3/4 sellers.

Market quiet, with small demand, mainly of 3 months'.

Smelters maintained unofficial limit of £280 but dealers made concession for limited quantities.

"Cash" was quiet and easier.

After hours, the market was less.

LONDON GOLD

London, Sept. 17 (Reuter).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 108/-

SUGAR PRICES

New York, Sept. 17 (Reuter)

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Raw Sugar Futures (Contract No. 3)

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Jan. 279b/80a

Mar. 276b/77a

May 278b/82a

July 284b/86a

Sales for the day—16 lots.

RAW SUGAR FUTURES (Contract No. 4)

Dec. 211b/12a

Mar. 208b/08a

May 207b/08a

July 209b/09a

Volume of business done—384 lots

B—bid A—asked N—nominal

WINNIPEG WHEAT

per bushel

Oct. 72b/72a

Dec. 74b

May 78b/78a

CHICAGO WHEAT

per bushel

Sept. 117b/117a

Dec. 121b/121a

Highest (Dec.) 122b

Lowest () 121b

Tuesday's sales—15,721,000 bushels.

NEW YORK COTTON

Opening Closing

Oct. 17.51/51 17.73/73

Dec. 17.72/70 17.92/92

Jan. 17.74/74 17.97/97

Mar. 17.85/87 18.09/10

May 17.99/99 18.24/24

July 18.04/04 18.31/35

Spot 18.46

Highest (Dec.) 17.96

Lowest () 17.69

T.T. on London 4.03-1/2

Silver, Official Rate 34-3/4

London Silver, Spot 23-1/2d

H.K. Stock Exchange

Thursday, Sept. 18

BUYERS

Union Ins. \$440.

H.K. Steamboats, \$10.80.

Docks, \$19.00.

Providents, \$7.45.

Hotels, \$4.25.

Humphreys, \$8.

Realities, \$4.15.

Chinese Estates, \$100.25

Yamati Ferries, \$24.

Lights (N), \$2.50.

Telephones (O), \$2.25.

Cements, \$17.

Watsons, \$13.25.

Lane Crawfords, \$6.20.

Wm. Powell, \$1.65.

Constructions (O), \$1.75.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

FINANCE REPORT ADOPTED

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, the reports of the Finance Committee No. 14 of 1940-41 and No. 2 of 1941-42, dated Aug. 7, 1941, were adopted.

The Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd) said—

I rise to move that Rules 1 and 11 made by the Board of War Revenue Ordinance, 1941, on Aug. 11, 1941, be approved.

The scale of depreciation laid down by Rule 1 follows closely the scale laid down in a similar Rule made under the War Revenue Ordinance, 1940. The only differences are the inclusion in the new Rule of a rate of 15 per cent on Written Down Value for Air-Conditioning Plant and an increase in the rate for Fixtures from 7½ per cent to 10 per cent on Written Down Value. The rate for Fixtures is now the same as the rate for Furniture.

Rule 11 is a re-enactment, without any amendments, of a Rule made under the 1940 War Revenue Ordinance.

These Rules are for the information of the public and the guidance of the Commissioner of War Taxation; they indicate the basis on which profits of the corporations or businesses concerned will be assessed for tax.

BILLS READ

A Bill to amend the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935; a Bill to amend the Midwives Ordinance, 1910; a Bill to amend further the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens Ordinance, 1940; a Bill to enable the Governor to confer by Proclamation on certain police forces in the Colony the status of militia in time of war; and a Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931, as amended by the Betting Duty Amendment Ordinance, 1940, were read a first time.

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Typhoid Will Continue To Exact Heavy Toll On Human Life In Colony

Typhoid and dysentery continued to exact a heavy toll on human life and may be expected to do so in future until the primitive methods of town conservancy are finally eliminated, and the cost of food and fuel for the masses is more in keeping with their earnings, says the abbreviated report of the Director of Medical Services for 1940, tabled in the Legislative Council yesterday.

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Deaths from beri-beri, including the infantile type, rose from 3,189 in 1938 to 7,229 in 1940. Typhoid also took a higher toll, with 6,761 deaths compared with 4,442 in the previous year.

The cholera outbreak in 1940 started late, but was attended by a high case mortality (66.2 per cent) and left behind an under-nourished community with a high "carrier" rate amounting to over 20 per cent in certain congested districts.

LABOUR CONDITIONS

Realisation that the care of labour is of economic as well as social importance led to an increased interest in the housing and general welfare of their employees by the larger and more reputable concerns operating in Hongkong. But generally speaking, the report continues, labour conditions are unsatisfactory. Labour regulations may have not been introduced, but the immigration control measures may result in a stiffening of the labour market to the advantage of the labourer.

SMALL-POX

Small-pox was controlled to some extent by mass vaccination, over 2,250,000 vaccinations being performed during the year.

Some 45,000 births were registered in 1940, as compared with 46,675 in 1938, giving an uncorrected birth rate of 41.9.

The number of registered deaths was 61,010, a surplus of 12,727 over the corresponding figure for 1938, giving an uncorrected death rate of 56.9. Among the deaths, 14,683 occurred in children under one year of age, resulting in an infant mortality rate of 32.7.

The Nutrition Research Committee continued to carry out useful work investigating a suitable diet within the purchasing power of the masses.

MALNUTRITION

The considerable increase in the cost of living, and especially in the rice staple and firewood for cooking it, and the difficulty in securing supplies, combined with high rentals and low earnings, resulted in evidence of serious malnutrition.

Progress was made in the re-organisation of Chinese hospitals, although these still remain very overcrowded and it is not uncommon to find twice, thrice or even more times the number of in-

patients as there are beds, states the report.

The Mental Hospital is no longer grossly overcrowded.

A rather old and very dilapidated building, with accommodation for 144 lepers was completely renovated.

The Anti-Tuberculosis Association was inaugurated during the year, and within a short time justified its existence.

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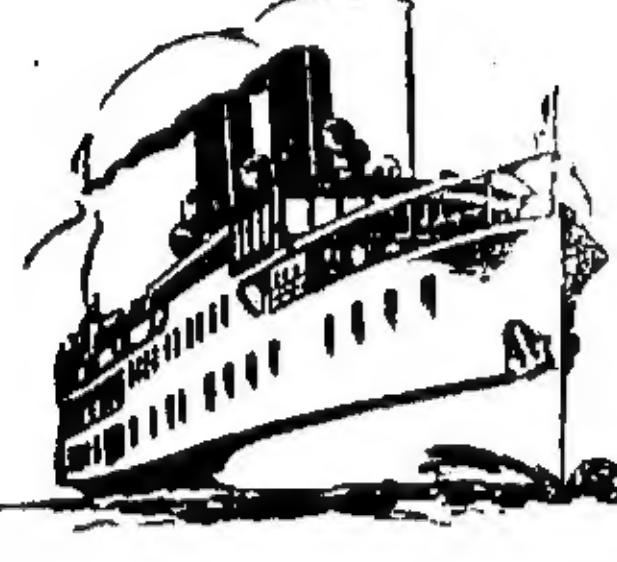
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NEWSPAPER HAWKER ACQUITTED ON MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE BY SIX TO ONE VERDICT**Murder Count Abandoned By The Prosecution**

A fight between two newspaper hawkers at Connaught Road Central on June 25 led to WAN WING-HING, 21, being arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday on a charge of murder of a fellow hawker, YU SIK-LAU.

At the conclusion of its case the Crown abandoned the murder relying on one of manslaughter. On this latter charge the jury, without retiring, returned a verdict of Not Guilty by a majority of six to one.

Mr E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant, appeared for the prosecution, while accused was defended by Mr. H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr. H. N. Chau.

The Crown's case was that on June 25 about 4 p.m. accused was gambling with other hawkers outside Nos. 54-56 Connaught Road Central. Others present included Chan Sing-wai and Fung Cho-oh, two of prosecution's witnesses. Deceased did not play.

Mr. Lee said that the whole of the Crown's case relied on two witnesses who, he submitted, were incorrect on most of the fundamental points, the evidence adduced went to support, in every detail, accused story.

COAT PAWNED
Accused, who had lost all his money, pawned his coat. After the game accused had some money in front of him. When he began to collect it deceased said, "Pay me back the 10 cents you owe me." Accused said he did not owe deceased any money and, even if he did, he had not sufficient money to redeem his coat, and they began to fight.

It was not quite clear, said Counsel, who struck the first blow, but witnesses will say that three or four blows were struck when deceased called out, "Ah yah, you have stabbed me."

Dr. T. K. Lin, of Queen Mary Hospital, deposed that the cause of death was haemorrhage with heart failure.

ACCUSED'S EVIDENCE

Testifying on his own behalf, accused said that deceased insisted

on being paid the 10 cents. Deceased struck him first and tried to snatch his knife and somehow received a wound.

In his submission, Mr. Williams told the jury that he was abandoning the murder verdict and, in the heat of passion, suddenly used his knife, and, if he did that, that was manslaughter.

On the other hand, said his Lordship, if he himself took out a knife and gave the other man full notice that he had a knife, not thinking to use it but hoping that the very sight of it would be sufficient to deter the other man from attacking him, and if that was the truth of the matter, the verdict he was entitled to was one of not guilty.

The jury members were exempted from duty for a year

SUMMING-UP
Summing-up, his Lordship said that if an armed man entered into a contest with an unarmed man and, in the heat of passion, suddenly used his knife, and, if he did that, that was manslaughter.

It was stated that complainant was walking along the footpath of Des Voeux Road Central when he felt a bump and saw defendant walk past him. He followed Li until a watchman was sighted and defendant arrested.

Sgt. Clarke, who prosecuted, said defendant had 12 previous convictions.

He was sentenced to one year's hard labour to be followed by two years' Police supervision.

POSSESSION OF OPIUM

For being in possession of a quantity of prepared non-

Government opium, Wong Cheun, of No. 20 Lee Yuen St. W. shop

foki, was fined \$50 by Mr. Lowry.

The defendant had one previous conviction.

Sgt. Clarke prosecuted.

JUVENILES CANED

Five boys, three of ten years of age, one of 12 years and another of nine years, made an appearance before Mr. Sheldon at the Juvenile Court charged with the possession of treewood near the Dairy Farm at Pokfulum.

The value of the wood was \$15.

The 9-year-old boy was discharged while the remaining four were ordered to be caned.

Connected with this case was Kong Ah-san who was charged before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson with

the same offence.

He was fined \$5 or in default 14 days' imprisonment.

Sgt. K. McLeod prosecuted.

CONSPIRACY TO ROB

For conspiring with Leung Ng

and others not in custody on or

about Sept. 16, to rob one, Ah Suet, of the Kei Fat Boarding House, No. 131 Connaught Road Central.

Cheng Woot Bun, 24, unemployed

or no fixed abode was brought

before Mr. Anderson at the Central Magistracy yesterday and

charged with the offence.

Sgt. Wall, prosecuting, asked for remand of 48 hours for further inquiries to be made.

He was fined \$3 or 7 days' hard labour.

The sum of \$150 collected from the table was ordered to be put in the Poor Box.

Sgt. Batell prosecuted.

ACCIDENTAL DEATH

A verdict of accidental death

was returned by the Jury at an

inquiry into the death of a Chinese

woman, Wong Ying, 32, from

H. C. Macnamara, charged with

conspiracy to rob the occupants of

the hut at Shek Kip Mei Village on

Sept. 15, and also possession of

iron bars and one file dagger fit

for an unlawful purpose.

Det. Sgt. MacPherson said that

on information received, at 4 a.m.

on Sept. 16, the police found the

accused heading towards the hut

and arrested them. The instruments

were found on them.

First, second and third accused

were sentenced to six months'

hard labour on both counts and

fourth accused to twelve weeks'

also on both charges.

Accused were all recommended for banishment.

BURGLAR CONVICTED

Lau Lam, 31, unemployed, was

charged before Mr. Macnamara

with burglary at Shan Shau Wan

Village.

FOREIGN MAIIS

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Ord. 5.30 PM	5.30 PM G.P.O.
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